

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 00V-204 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

7/28/00

Part 573 Report Date: July 27, 2000

Manufacturer: Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.

Manufacturer Contact: Mr. Robert E. Wozniak, Director of Engineering Services

FAX: (909) 351-3776

SUBJECT: 4,967 Fleetwood 1996-2000 Discovery and 1999-2000 Bounder Diesel motor homes manufactured between June 1996 and August 1999. The power steering gear box hydraulic lines are routed too close to a sharp edge. This can cause the lines to rupture and result in a hydraulic fluid leak. This fluid leakage can cause loss of the power steering assist feature. Fleetwood Recall No. 00724.

This is an initial acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

We have reviewed your draft dealer/owner notification letters and they meet the requirements of Part 577.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin August 14, 2000. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by October 30, 2000.

If you have any questions, please call:



Patricia Wallace, Recall Analyst on (202) 366-5232
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Recall Analysis Division

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Mr. Robert E. Wozniak
Director of Product Compliance - RV Group
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Dear Mr. Wozniak:

We have reviewed Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.'s (Fleetwood) Defect Information Report dated July 27, 2000, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 4,967 Fleetwood 1996-2000 Discovery and 1999-2000 Bounder Diesel motor homes manufactured between June 1996 and August 1999. The power steering gear box hydraulic lines are routed too close to a sharp edge. This can cause the lines to rupture and result in a hydraulic fluid leak. This fluid leakage can cause loss of the power steering assist feature. The assigned identification number for this recall is **00V-204 (Fleetwood Recall No. 00724)**.

Fleetwood is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership.

Quarterly Status Reports

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If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

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Jonathan D. White, Chief
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